# **EQUAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION June 7, 2016**

### AGENDA ITEM DISCUSSION ACTION

Minutes:	Nathaniel Alston called the meeting to order.  Nathaniel Alston called for approval of the Minutes. Steven Joss moved that the Minutes be	Meeting called to order at 9:15 a.m. Unanimously
May 5, 2016	approved; the motion was seconded by Roger Barnes.	approved
Certifications: May 5, 2016 through June 7, 2016	Roger Barnes moved that the applications be approved; the motion was seconded by Steven Joss.	Unanimously approved
Waiver Approval Process	Mahesh shared a flow chart and explained the process and steps taken by the Office of Purchasing before a full or partial waiver of the EBO goal is approved. A waiver is only approved with justification that the contract does not offer any subcontracting opportunities or when a bidder demonstrates their adequate good faith efforts to attempt to meet the EBO goal. Nancy Briguglio asked if it would be possible and practicable for the Commissioners to be contacted for an opportunity to make suggestions to fulfill the requirements of meeting the goal before granting waivers. Darla Herbold mentioned that considering the timeline of awarding bids and given the frequency with which the Commission meets it might not be possible. However, this can be done on a case by case basis. Mahesh said he would contact the Commissioners for suggested minority vendors, if it is timely, before a waiver is granted.  Mahesh will also send out the Howard County Code, Subtitle 6, Equal Business Opportunity Commission to all the Commissioners for their review.	
Adjournment of Meeting at 9:20 am	Motion to adjourn by Nathaniel Alston; seconded by Steven Joss.  Next regular EBOC Meeting scheduled for August 2, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.	

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#### **EBOC MEMBER ATTENDEES:**

- 1. Nathaniel Alston (conference call)
- 2. Roger Barnes
- 3. Nancy Briguglio
- 4. Steven Joss
- 5. Margaret Kim
- 6. Jason Peay (conference call)

#### **ABSENT:**

- 7. Barry Curtis
- 8. Shahan Rizvi
- 9. Tajuddin Sabree

#### **NON-MEMBER ATTTENDEES:**

- 1. Mahesh Sabnani
- 2. Darla Herbold
- 3. Constance Tucker
- 4. Robin Fewell